

## CONVOLUTIONS OF HARMONIC CONVEX MAPPINGS

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ABSTRACT. The first author proved that the harmonic convolution of a normalized right half-plane mapping with either another normalized right half-plane mapping or a normalized vertical strip mapping is convex in the direction of the real axis, provided that it is locally univalent. In this paper, we prove that in general the assumption of local univalence cannot be omitted. However, we are able to show that in some cases these harmonic convolutions are locally univalent. Using this we obtain interesting examples of univalent harmonic maps one of which is a map onto the plane with two parallel slits.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\mathbb{D}$  be the unit disk. We consider the family of complex-valued harmonic functions  $f = u + iv$  defined in  $\mathbb{D}$ , where  $u$  and  $v$  are real harmonic in  $\mathbb{D}$ . Such functions can be expressed as  $f = h + \bar{g}$ , where

$$h(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad \text{and} \quad g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n$$

are analytic in  $\mathbb{D}$ . The harmonic function  $f = h + \bar{g}$  is locally one-to-one and sense-preserving in  $\mathbb{D}$  if and only if

$$|g'(z)| < |h'(z)|, \forall z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

In such a case, we say that  $f$  is locally univalent and  $f$  satisfies the dilatation condition. Let  $S_H^o$  be the class of complex-valued, harmonic, sense-preserving, univalent functions  $f$  in  $\mathbb{D}$ , normalized so that  $f(0) = 0$ ,  $f_z(0) = 1$ , and  $f_{\bar{z}}(0) = 0$ . Let  $K_H^o$  and  $C_H^o$  be the subclasses of  $S_H^o$  mapping  $\mathbb{D}$  onto convex and close-to-convex domains, respectively. We will deal with  $C_H^o$  mappings that are convex in one direction.

For analytic functions  $f(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  and  $F(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} A_n z^n$ , their convolution (or Hadamard product) is defined as  $f * F = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n A_n z^n$ . In the harmonic case, with

$$f = h + \bar{g} = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{b}_n \bar{z}^n \quad \text{and} \\ F = H + \bar{G} = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} A_n z^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{B}_n \bar{z}^n,$$

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define the harmonic convolution as

$$f * F = h * H + \overline{g * G} = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n A_n z^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \overline{b_n B_n} \bar{z}^n,$$

There have been some results about harmonic convolutions of functions (see [2], [4], [6], and [10]). For the convolution of analytic functions, if  $f_1, f_2 \in K$ , then  $f_1 * f_2 \in K$ . Also, the right half-plane mapping,  $\frac{z}{1-z}$ , acts as the convolution identity. In the harmonic case, there are infinitely many right half-plane mappings and the harmonic convolution of one of these right half-plane mappings with a function  $f \in K_H^O$  may not preserve the properties of  $f$ , such as convexity or even univalence (see [4] for an example).

In [4], the following theorems were proved:

**Theorem A.** *Let  $f_1 = h_1 + \bar{g}_1, f_2 = h_2 + \bar{g}_2 \in K_H^O$  be right half-plane mappings. If  $f_1 * f_2$  satisfies the dilatation condition, then  $f_1 * f_2 \in S_H^O$  and is convex in the direction of the real axis.*

**Theorem B.** *Let  $f_1 = h_1 + \bar{g}_1 \in K_H^O$  be a right half-plane mapping and  $f_2 = h_2 + \bar{g}_2 \in K_H^O$  be a vertical strip mapping. If  $f_1 * f_2$  satisfies the dilatation condition, then  $f_1 * f_2 \in S_H^O$  and is convex in the direction of the real axis.*

In section 2, we generalize Theorem A for harmonic mappings onto slanted half-planes given by

$$H_\gamma = \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\gamma} z) > -\frac{1}{2} \right\}, \text{ where } 0 \leq \gamma < 2\pi.$$

Next, we deal mainly with the convolution of the canonical harmonic right half-plane mapping (see [2]) given by

$$(1) \quad f_0(z) = h_0(z) + \overline{g_0(z)} = \frac{z - \frac{1}{2}z^2}{(1-z)^2} - \overline{\frac{\frac{1}{2}z^2}{(1-z)^2}}$$

with harmonic mappings  $f$  that are either right half-planes or strip mappings. We show that if the dilatation of  $f$  is  $e^{i\theta} z^n$  ( $n = 1, 2$ ), then  $f_0 * f$  is locally univalent. However, we give examples when local univalence fails for  $n \geq 3$ . Also, we provide some results about univalence in the case the dilatation of  $f$  is  $\frac{z+a}{1+az}$ . Finally, we give examples of univalent harmonic maps obtained by way of convolutions.

## 2. CONVOLUTING SLANTED HALF-PLANE MAPPINGS

In [1], [5], and [7], explicit descriptions are given for half-plane and strip mappings. Specifically, the collection of functions  $f = h + \bar{g} \in S_H^O$  that map  $\mathbb{D}$  onto the right half-plane,  $R = \{w : \operatorname{Re}(w) > -1/2\}$ , have the form

$$h(z) + g(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$$

and those that map  $\mathbb{D}$  onto the vertical strip,  $\Omega_\alpha = \left\{ w : \frac{\alpha-\pi}{2\sin\alpha} < \operatorname{Re}(w) < \frac{\alpha}{2\sin\alpha} \right\}$ , where  $\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \alpha < \pi$ , have the form

$$h(z) + g(z) = \frac{1}{2i\sin\alpha} \log \left( \frac{1 + ze^{i\alpha}}{1 + ze^{-i\alpha}} \right).$$

Now, we first prove a generalization of Theorem A for the slanted half-plane,  $H_\gamma$ ,  $0 \leq \gamma < 2\pi$ , described in the introduction. Let  $S^0(H_\gamma) \subset S_H^0$  denote the class of harmonic functions  $f$  that map  $\mathbb{D}$  onto  $H_\gamma$ . In the case when  $\gamma = 0$  we get the normalized class of harmonic functions that map  $\mathbb{D}$  onto the right half-plane  $\{w : \operatorname{Re}(w) > -1/2\}$ .

**Lemma 1.** *If  $f = h + \bar{g} \in S^0(H_\gamma)$ , then*

$$h(z) + e^{-2i\gamma}g(z) = \frac{z}{1 - ze^{i\gamma}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

*Proof.* If  $f = h + \bar{g} \in S^0(H_\gamma)$ , then  $\operatorname{Re}\{e^{i\gamma}(h(z) + \overline{g(z)})\} > -1/2$ , which means that  $\operatorname{Re}\{e^{i\gamma}h(z) + e^{-i\gamma}\overline{g(z)}\} > -1/2$ . In other words,  $\operatorname{Re}\{e^{i\gamma}(h(z) + e^{-2i\gamma}g(z))\} > -1/2$ . Since  $f$  is a convex harmonic function, it follows from a convexity theorem by Clunie and Sheil-Small [2] that the function  $h(z) + e^{-2i\gamma}g(z)$  is convex in the direction  $\pi/2 - \gamma$ , and so is univalent. It is also clear, that  $z \mapsto f(z) + e^{-2i\gamma}g(z)$  maps  $\mathbb{D}$  onto  $H_\gamma$  which implies result.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.** *If  $f_k \in S^0(H_{\gamma_k})$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ , and  $f_1 * f_2$  is locally univalent in  $\mathbb{D}$ , then  $f_1 * f_2$  is convex in the direction  $-(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)$ .*

*Proof.* Let

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= (h_1 + e^{-2i\gamma_1}g_1) * (h_2 - e^{-2i\gamma_2}g_2), \text{ and} \\ F_2 &= (h_2 + e^{-2i\gamma_2}g_2) * (h_1 - e^{-2i\gamma_1}g_1). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\frac{1}{2}(F_1 + F_2) = h_1 * h_2 - e^{-2i(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)}g_1 * g_2.$$

The shearing theorem of Clunie and Sheil-Small [2] establishes that it is sufficient to show that the function  $\frac{1}{2}(F_1 + F_2)$  is convex in the direction  $-(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)$ , or equivalently, that  $F = e^{i(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)}(F_1 + F_2)$  is convex in the direction of the real axis. A result by Royster and Ziegler [9] shows that  $F$  is convex in the real direction, if  $\operatorname{Re}\{(zF'(z))/\varphi(z)\} > 0, \forall z \in \mathbb{D}$ , where  $\varphi(z) = \frac{ze^{i\alpha}}{(1 - ze^{i\alpha}z)^2}$  with some  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ . Thus, if we show this last condition, we are done.

By Lemma 1,

$$zF_1'(z) = \frac{z}{1 - ze^{i\gamma_1}} * [z(h_2 - e^{-2i\gamma_2}g_2)'(z)].$$

Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} z(h_2 - e^{-2i\gamma_2}g_2)'(z) &= z \frac{h_2'(z) - e^{-2i\gamma_2}g_2'(z)}{h_2'(z) + e^{-2i\gamma_2}g_2'(z)} (h_2'(z) + e^{-2i\gamma_2}g_2'(z)) \\ &= \frac{zp_2(z)}{(1 - e^{i\gamma_2}z)^2}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\operatorname{Re}\{p_2(z)\} > 0$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ . Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} zF_1'(z) &= \frac{z}{1 - ze^{i\gamma_1}} * \frac{zp_2(z)}{(1 - e^{i\gamma_2}z)^2} \\ &= e^{-i\gamma_1} \frac{ze^{i\gamma_1}}{1 - ze^{i\gamma_1}} * \frac{zp_2(z)}{(1 - e^{i\gamma_2}z)^2} \\ &= \frac{zp_2(ze^{i\gamma_1})}{(1 - e^{i(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)}z)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Analogously,

$$zF_2'(z) = \frac{zp_1(ze^{i\gamma_2})}{(1 - e^{i(\gamma_1+\gamma_2)}z)^2},$$

where  $\operatorname{Re}\{p_1(z)\} > 0$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ . Thus

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{e^{i(\gamma_1+\gamma_2)}(zF_1'(z) + zF_2'(z))}{\frac{ze^{i(\gamma_1+\gamma_2)}}{(1-e^{i(\gamma_1+\gamma_2)}z)^2}} \right) = \operatorname{Re}(p_1(ze^{i\gamma_2}) + p_2(ze^{i\gamma_1})) > 0.$$

□

### 3. CONVOLUTING $f_0$ WITH RIGHT HALF-PLANE MAPPINGS

In Theorem A, Theorem B, and Theorem 2, we require that the resulting convolution function satisfy the dilatation condition

$$|\omega(z)| = \left| \frac{g'(z)}{h'(z)} \right| < 1, \forall z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

When is this not a necessary assumption? In the rest of the paper we establish cases of these theorems for which this assumption can be omitted.

The following result about the number of zeros of polynomials in the disk is helpful in proving the next several theorems.

*Cohn's Rule.* ([3] or see [8], p 375) Given a polynomial

$$f(z) = a_0 + a_1z + \cdots + a_nz^n$$

of degree  $n$ , let

$$f^*(z) = z^n \overline{f(1/\bar{z})} = \overline{a_n} + \overline{a_{n-1}}z + \cdots + \overline{a_0}z^n.$$

Denote by  $p$  and  $s$  the number of zeros of  $f$  inside the unit circle and on it, respectively. If  $|a_0| < |a_n|$ , then

$$f_1(z) = \frac{\overline{a_n}f(z) - a_0f^*(z)}{z}$$

is of degree  $n-1$  with  $p_1 = p-1$  and  $s_1 = s$  the number of zeros of  $f_1$  inside the unit circle and on it, respectively.

The main result of this section is the following.

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $f = h + \bar{g} \in K_H^O$  with  $h(z) + g(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$  and  $\omega(z) = e^{i\theta}z^n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  and  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ ). If  $n = 1, 2$ , then  $f_0 * f \in S_H^O$  and is convex in the direction of the real axis.*

*Proof.* Let the dilatation of  $f_0 * f$  be given by  $\tilde{\omega} = (g_0 * g)' / (h_0 * h)'$ . By Theorem A and by Lewy's Theorem, we just need to show that  $|\tilde{\omega}(z)| < 1, \forall z \in \mathbb{D}$ .

First, note that if  $F$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{D}$  and  $F(0) = 0$ , then from eq. (1)

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} h_0(z) * F(z) &= \frac{1}{2}[F(z) + zF'(z)] \\ g_0(z) * F(z) &= \frac{1}{2}[F(z) - zF'(z)]. \end{aligned}$$

Also, since  $g'(z) = \omega(z)h'(z)$ , we know  $g''(z) = \omega(z)h''(z) + \omega'(z)h'(z)$ .

Hence

$$(3) \quad \tilde{\omega}(z) = -\frac{zg''(z)}{2h'(z) + zh''(z)} = \frac{-z\omega'(z)h'(z) - z\omega(z)h''(z)}{2h'(z) + zh''(z)}.$$

Using  $h(z) + g(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$  and  $g'(z) = \omega(z)h'(z)$ , we can solve for  $h'(z)$  and  $h''(z)$  in terms of  $z$  and  $\omega(z)$ :

$$h'(z) = \frac{1}{(1 + \omega(z))(1 - z)^2}$$

$$h''(z) = \frac{2(1 + \omega(z)) - \omega'(z)(1 - z)}{(1 + \omega(z))^2(1 - z)^3}.$$

Substituting these formulas for  $h'$  and  $h''$  into the equation for  $\tilde{\omega}$ , we derive:

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} \tilde{\omega}(z) &= \frac{-z\omega'(z)h'(z) - z\omega(z)h''(z)}{2h'(z) + zh''(z)} \\ &= -z \frac{\omega^2(z) + [\omega(z) - \frac{1}{2}\omega'(z)z] + \frac{1}{2}\omega'(z)}{1 + [\omega(z) - \frac{1}{2}\omega'(z)z] + \frac{1}{2}\omega'(z)z^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Now, consider the case in which  $\omega(z) = e^{i\theta}z$ . Then eq. (4) yields

$$\tilde{\omega}(z) = -ze^{2i\theta} \frac{(z^2 + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}z + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta})}{(1 + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}z + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}z^2)}.$$

If we denote  $f(z) = z^2 + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}z + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}$ , then  $f^*(z) = z^2 \overline{f(1/\bar{z})} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}z + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}z^2$ . In such a situation, if  $z_0$  is a zero of  $f$ , then  $\frac{1}{\bar{z}_0}$  is a zero of  $f^*$ . Hence,

$$\tilde{\omega}(z) = -ze^{2i\theta} \frac{(z + A)(z + B)}{(1 + \bar{A}z)(1 + \bar{B}z)}.$$

By Cohn's Rule we have

$$f_1(z) = \frac{\bar{a}_2 f(z) - a_0 f^*(z)}{z} = \frac{3}{4}z + \left(\frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta} - \frac{1}{4}\right).$$

$f_1$  has one zero at  $z_0 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}e^{-i\theta} \in \mathbb{D}$ . So,  $f$  has two zeros, namely  $A$  and  $B$ , with  $|A|, |B| \leq 1$ .

Next, consider the case in which  $\omega(z) = e^{i\theta}z^2$ . In this case,

$$|\tilde{\omega}(z)| = |z^2| \left| \frac{z^3 + e^{-i\theta}}{1 + e^{i\theta}z^3} \right| = |z|^2 < 1.$$

□

*Remark 1.* If we assume the hypotheses of the previous theorem with the exception of making  $n \geq 3$ , then for each  $n$  we can find a specific  $\omega(z) = e^{i\theta}z^n$  such that  $f_0 * f \notin S_H^\circ$ . For example, if  $n$  is odd, let  $\omega(z) = -z^n$  and then eq. (4) yields

$$\tilde{\omega}(z) = -z^n \frac{z^{n+1} + (\frac{n}{2} - 1)z - \frac{n}{2}}{1 + (\frac{n}{2} - 1)z^n - \frac{n}{2}z^{n+1}}.$$

It suffices to show that for some point  $z_0 \in \mathbb{D}$ ,  $|\tilde{\omega}(z_0)| > 1$ . Let  $z_0 = -\frac{n}{n+1} \in \mathbb{D}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\omega}(z_0) &= \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n \frac{\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right)\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right) - \frac{n}{2}}{1 - \left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right)\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^n - \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^{n+1}} \\ (5) \quad &= 1 + \frac{\left[\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^n - \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^{n+1}\right] + \left[1 - \frac{n}{n+1}\right]}{\left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right) + \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right) - \left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^n}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\left[\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^n - \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^{n+1}\right] + \left[1 - \frac{n}{n+1}\right] > 0$ . Also,  $\left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right) + \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right) - \left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^n > 0$  since  $\left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right) + \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)\left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right) > n - \frac{3}{2} > e$  and  $\left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^n$  is an increasing series converging to  $e$ . Thus, if  $n \geq 5$  is odd,  $|\tilde{\omega}(z_0)| > 1$ . If  $n = 3$ , it is easy to compute that  $|\tilde{\omega}(z_0)| = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^3 \left| \frac{3^4 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3 \cdot 4^3 - \frac{3}{2} \cdot 4^4}{4^4 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3^3 \cdot 4 - \frac{3}{2} \cdot 3^4} \right| > 2$ . Now, if  $n$  is even, let  $\omega(z) = z^n$  and  $z_0 = -\frac{n}{n+1}$ . This simplifies to the same  $\tilde{\omega}(z_0)$  given eq. (5) and the argument above also holds for  $n \geq 6$ . If  $n = 4$ ,  $|\tilde{\omega}(z_0)| = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^4 \left| \frac{4^5 - 4 \cdot 5^4 - 2 \cdot 5^5}{5^5 - 4^4 \cdot 5 - 2 \cdot 4^5} \right| > 15$ .

**Theorem 4.** Let  $f = h + \bar{g} \in K_H^O$  with  $h(z) + g(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$  and  $\omega(z) = \frac{z+a}{1+az}$  with  $a \in (-1, 1)$ . Then  $f_0 * f \in S_H^O$  and is convex in the direction of the real axis.

*Proof.* Using eq. (4) with  $\omega = \frac{z+a}{1+az}$ , where  $-1 < a < 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\omega}(z) &= -z \frac{(z^2 + \frac{1+3a}{2}z + \frac{1+a}{2})}{(1 + \frac{1+3a}{2}z + \frac{1+a}{2}z^2)} \\ &= -z \frac{f(z)}{f^*(z)} \\ &= -z \frac{(z+A)(z+B)}{(1+\bar{A}z)(1+\bar{B}z)}. \end{aligned}$$

Again using Cohn's Rule,

$$f_1(z) = \frac{\bar{a}_2 f(z) - a_0 f^*(z)}{z} = \frac{(a+3)(1-a)}{4}z + \frac{(1+3a)(1-a)}{4}.$$

So  $f_1$  has one zero at  $z_0 = -\frac{1+3a}{a+3}$  which is in the unit circle since  $-1 < a < 1$ . Thus,  $|A|, |B| < 1$ .  $\square$

Next, we provide some examples.

*Example 1.* Let  $f_1 = h_1 + \bar{g}_1$ , where  $h_1 + g_1 = \frac{z}{1-z}$  with  $\omega = z$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} h_1 &= \frac{1}{4} \log \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{1-z} \\ g_1 &= -\frac{1}{4} \log \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{1-z}. \end{aligned}$$

Consider  $F_1 = f_0 * f_1 = H_1 + \bar{G}_1$ . Using eq. (2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} H_1 &= h_0 * h_1 = \frac{1}{2} [h_1(z) + zh_1'(z)] = \frac{1}{8} \log \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + \frac{\frac{3}{4}z - \frac{1}{4}z^3}{(1-z)^2(1+z)} \\ G_1 &= g_0 * g_1 = \frac{1}{2} [g_1(z) - zg_1'(z)] = -\frac{1}{8} \log \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + \frac{\frac{1}{4}z - \frac{1}{2}z^2 - \frac{1}{4}z^3}{(1-z)^2(1+z)}, \end{aligned}$$

and from eq. (4)

$$\tilde{\omega}(z) = -z \left( \frac{2z^2 + z + 1}{z^2 + z + 2} \right).$$

We show that  $F_1$  maps the unit disk onto the domain whose boundary consists of the four half-lines given by  $\{x \pm \frac{\pi}{8}i, x \leq -\frac{1}{4}\}$  and  $\{-\frac{1}{4} + iy, |y| \geq \frac{\pi}{8}\}$  (see Figure 2). In doing so, we use a similar argument to that used by Clunie and Sheil-Small in Example 5.4 [2]. We have

$$F_1(z) = \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{z - \frac{1}{2}z^2 - \frac{1}{2}z^3}{(1+z)(1-z)^2} \right) + i \operatorname{Im} \left( \frac{1}{4} \ln \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{(1-z)^2} \right).$$

Applying the transformation  $\zeta = \frac{1+z}{1-z} = \xi + i\eta$ ,  $\xi > 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} F_1(z) &= \operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{8} \left( 3\zeta - 2 - \frac{1}{\zeta} \right) + i \operatorname{Im} \frac{1}{4} \left( \ln \zeta + \frac{1}{2}(\zeta^2 - 1) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \left( 3\xi - 2 - \frac{\xi}{\xi^2 + \eta^2} \right) + \frac{i}{4} \left( \arctan \frac{\eta}{\xi} + \xi\eta \right). \end{aligned}$$

Observe first that the positive real axis  $\{\zeta = \xi + i\eta : \eta = 0, \xi > 0\}$  is mapped monotonically onto the whole real axis. Next we find the images of the level curves

$$\arctan \frac{\eta}{\xi} + \xi\eta = c, \quad \xi, \eta > 0.$$

The polar coordinates equations of these level curves are

$$(6) \quad \theta + r^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = c, \quad 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= \sqrt{(c - \theta) \cot \theta} \\ \eta &= \sqrt{(c - \theta) \tan \theta}, \quad 0 < \theta < \min \left\{ c, \frac{\pi}{2} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Fix  $c > 0$ . Then the image of the curve given in (6) under  $F_1$  is

$$\begin{aligned} F_1(z) &= \frac{1}{8} \left( 3\sqrt{(c - \theta) \cot \theta} - 2 - \sqrt{\frac{\sin \theta \cos^3 \theta}{c - \theta}} \right) + \frac{i}{4} c \\ &= u(c, \theta) + \frac{i}{4} c. \end{aligned}$$

If  $0 < c < \frac{\pi}{2}$ , then  $\theta \in (0, c)$ , and one finds easily that  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0+} u(c, \theta) = \infty$  and  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow c-} u(c, \theta) = -\infty$ . The intermediate value property implies that in this case the image of the level curve under  $F_1$  is the entire horizontal line  $\{x + \frac{ic}{4} : -\infty < x < \infty\}$ . If  $c \geq \frac{\pi}{2}$ , then  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0+} u(c, \theta) = \infty$  and  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2-} u(c, \theta) = -\frac{1}{4}$ . So in this case the images of the level curves are horizontal half-lines  $\{x + \frac{ic}{4} : -\frac{1}{4} < x < \infty\}$ . This means that images of the level curves under  $F_1$  fill the domain whose boundary consists of the real axis and two half-lines  $\{x + \frac{\pi}{8}i, x \leq -\frac{1}{4}\}$  and  $\{-\frac{1}{4} + iy, y \geq \frac{\pi}{8}\}$ . Finally, our claim follows from the fact that the range of  $F_1$  is symmetric with respect to the real axis.

The images of concentric circles inside  $\mathbb{D}$  under the harmonic maps  $f_0$  and under  $f_1$  are shown in Figure 1. The images of these concentric circles under the convolution map  $f_0 * f_1 = F_1$  are shown in Figure 2.

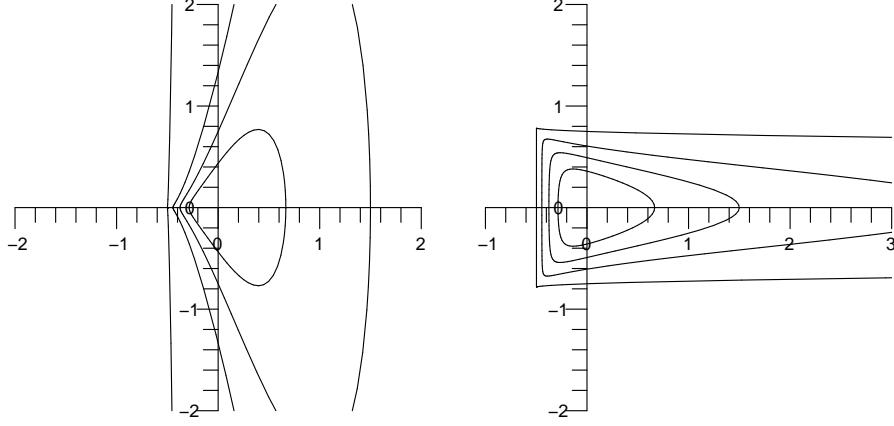


FIGURE 1. Image of concentric circles inside  $\mathbb{D}$  under the maps  $f_0$  and  $f_1$ , respectively.

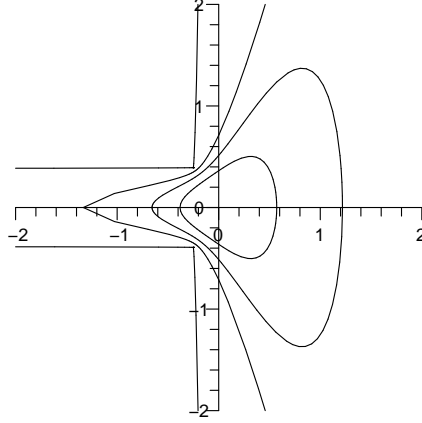


FIGURE 2. Image of concentric circles inside  $\mathbb{D}$  under the convolution map  $f_0 * f_1 = F_1$ .

*Example 2.* Let  $f_2 = h_2 + \overline{g_2}$  be the harmonic mapping in the disk  $\mathbb{D}$  such that  $h_2(z) + g_2(z) = \frac{z}{1-z}$  and  $\omega_2(z) = \frac{g_2'(z)}{h_2'(z)} = -z^2$ . One can find that

$$h_2(z) = \frac{1}{8} \ln \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{1-z} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{z}{(1-z)^2},$$

$$g_2(z) = -\frac{1}{8} \ln \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{1-z} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{z}{(1-z)^2}$$

and the image of  $\mathbb{D}$  under  $f_2$  is the right half-plane,  $R = \{\omega : \operatorname{Re}(\omega) > -\frac{1}{2}\}$ . We note here that  $f_2(e^{it}) = -\frac{1}{2} + i\frac{\pi}{16}$ , if  $0 < t < \pi$  and  $f_2(e^{it}) = -\frac{1}{2} - i\frac{\pi}{16}$ , if  $\pi < t < 2\pi$ .



Next let

$$F_2 = h_0 * h_2 + \overline{g_0 * g_2} = H_2 + \overline{G_2}.$$

By eq. (2)

$$\begin{aligned} H_2(z) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{8} \ln \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{1-z} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{z}{(1-z)^2} + \frac{z}{(1-z)^3(1+z)} \right], \\ G_2(z) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ -\frac{1}{8} \ln \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{1-z} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{z}{(1-z)^2} + \frac{z^3}{(1-z)^3(1+z)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\tilde{\omega}_2(z) = \frac{G'_2(z)}{H'_2(z)} = z^2$$

Analysis similar to that in Example 1 can be used to show that  $F_2$  maps the disk onto the plane minus two half-lines given by  $x \pm \frac{\pi}{16}i$ ,  $x \leq -\frac{1}{4}$ . We have

$$F_2(z) = \operatorname{Re} \left( \frac{1}{2} \frac{z(2-z+z^3)}{(1-z)^3(1+z)} \right) + i \operatorname{Im} \left( \frac{1}{8} \ln \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + \frac{6}{8} \frac{z}{(1-z)^2} \right),$$

which under the same transformation as in Example 1 becomes

$$F_2(z) = \frac{1}{16} \left( \xi^3 - 3\xi\eta^2 + 4\xi - 4 - \frac{\xi}{\xi^2 + \eta^2} \right) + \frac{i}{8} \left( \arctan \frac{\eta}{\xi} + 3\xi\eta \right).$$

Analogously, we find that the images of the level curves

$$\theta + \frac{3}{2} r^2 \sin 2\theta = c, \quad 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$$

are

$$\begin{aligned} F_2(z) &= \frac{1}{16} \left[ \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}(c-\theta)\cot\theta} \left( (c-\theta) \left( \frac{1}{3}\cot\theta - \tan\theta \right) + 4 - \frac{3\sin 2\theta}{2(c-\theta)} \right) - 4 \right] + \frac{i}{8} c \\ &= u(c, \theta) + \frac{i}{8} c. \end{aligned}$$

If  $0 < c < \frac{\pi}{2}$  (or  $c > \frac{\pi}{2}$ , respectively), then  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow c^-} u(c, \theta) = -\infty$  (or  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}^-} u(c, \theta) = -\infty$ , respectively) and  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} u(c, \theta) = \infty$ . This means that the images of the level curves are entire horizontal lines. If  $c = \frac{\pi}{2}$ , then  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} u(\frac{\pi}{2}, \theta) = +\infty$  and  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pi/2^-} u(\frac{\pi}{2}, \theta) = -\frac{1}{4}$ . So,  $F_2$  maps the first quadrant onto the upper half-plane minus the half-line  $\{x + i\frac{\pi}{16} : x \leq -\frac{1}{4}\}$ , and the result follows from the symmetry.

#### 4. CONVOLUTING $f_0$ WITH VERTICAL STRIP MAPPINGS

In this section we replace right half-plane maps with vertical strip maps and prove the corresponding analogues for Theorem 3 and Theorem 4.

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $f = h + \bar{g} \in K_H^O$  with  $h(z) + g(z) = \frac{1}{2i \sin \alpha} \log \left( \frac{1+ze^{i\alpha}}{1+ze^{-i\alpha}} \right)$ , where  $\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \alpha < \pi$  and  $\omega(z) = e^{i\theta} z^n$ . If  $n = 1, 2$ , then  $f_0 * f \in S_H^O$  and is convex in the direction of the real axis.*

*Proof.* By Theorem B we need to establish that  $f_0 * f = H + \overline{G}$  is locally univalent. Using  $h(z) + g(z) = \frac{1}{2i \sin \alpha} \log \left( \frac{1+ze^{i\alpha}}{1+ze^{-i\alpha}} \right)$  and  $g'(z) = \omega(z)h'(z)$ , we get

$$h'(z) = \frac{1}{(1 + \omega(z))(1 + ze^{i\alpha})(1 + ze^{-i\alpha})}$$

$$h''(z) = \frac{-[2(\cos \alpha + z)(1 + \omega(z)) + \omega'(z)(1 + 2 \cos \alpha z + z^2)]}{(1 + \omega(z))^2(1 + ze^{i\alpha})^2(1 + ze^{-i\alpha})^2}.$$

Substituting these into eq. (3), yields

$$(7) \quad \tilde{\omega}(z) = -z \left\{ \frac{\omega^2(z) + [\omega(z) - \frac{1}{2}\omega'(z)z] - \frac{1}{2}\omega'(z)\left(\frac{1+\cos \alpha z}{\cos \alpha + z}\right)}{-\left(\frac{1+\cos \alpha z}{\cos \alpha + z}\right) - [\omega(z) - \frac{1}{2}\omega'(z)z]\left(\frac{1+\cos \alpha z}{\cos \alpha + z}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\omega'(z)z^2} \right\}.$$

First, consider the case in which  $\omega(z) = e^{i\theta}z$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\omega}(z) &= ze^{2i\theta} \frac{z^3 + (\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta})z^2 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}}{1 + (\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta})z - \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}z^3} \\ &= ze^{2i\theta} \frac{f(z)}{f^*(z)} \\ &= ze^{2i\theta} \frac{(z+A)(z+B)(z+C)}{(1+\overline{A}z)(1+\overline{B}z)(1+\overline{C}z)}. \end{aligned}$$

We will show that  $A, B, C \in \overline{\mathbb{D}}$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\omega}(z) &= ze^{2i\theta} \frac{z^3 + (\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta})z^2 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}}{1 + (\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta})z - \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}z^3} \\ &= ze^{2i\theta} \frac{f(z)}{f^*(z)} \\ &= ze^{2i\theta} \frac{(z+A)(z+B)(z+C)}{(1+\overline{A}z)(1+\overline{B}z)(1+\overline{C}z)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha \in [\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi)$ ,  $\theta \in [-\pi, \pi]$ . We apply Cohn's Rule to  $f(z) = z^3 + (\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta})z^2 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}$ . Note that  $|\frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}| = \frac{1}{2} < 1$ , thus we get

$$f_1(z) = \frac{\overline{a_3}f(z) - a_0f^*(z)}{z} = \frac{3}{4}z^2 + (\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta})z + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}(\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}).$$

Since  $|\frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}(\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta})| \leq \frac{1}{2}|\cos \alpha| + \frac{1}{4} < \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$  (note that  $\alpha \neq \pi$ ), we can use Cohn's Rule again; this time on  $f_1$ .

We get

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(z) &= \frac{\frac{3}{4}f_1(z) - \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}(\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta})f_1^*(z)}{z} \\ &= \left( \frac{9}{16} - \frac{1}{4} \left| \cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta} \right|^2 \right) z + \frac{3}{4} \left( \cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta} \right) - \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta} \left( \cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta} \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly  $f_2$  has one zero at

$$z = \frac{-\frac{3}{4}(\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}) + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}(\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta})^2}{\frac{9}{16} - \frac{1}{4}|\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{i\theta}|^2} = \frac{-\frac{1}{4}\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}e^{-i\theta}\cos^2 \alpha - \frac{3}{8}e^{-i\theta} + \frac{1}{8}e^{i\theta}}{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}\cos^2 \alpha - \frac{1}{4}\cos \alpha \cos \theta}.$$

We show that  $|z| \leq 1$ , or equivalently,

$$\left| -\frac{1}{4} \cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2} e^{-i\theta} \cos^2 \alpha - \frac{3}{8} e^{-i\theta} + \frac{1}{8} e^{i\theta} \right|^2 \leq \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \cos^2 \alpha - \frac{1}{4} \cos \alpha \cos \theta \right|^2.$$

If we put  $x = \cos \alpha$ ,  $y = \cos \theta$ , then  $x \in (-1, 0]$ ,  $y \in [-1, 1]$  and the above inequality becomes

$$-\frac{3}{16}x^4 + \frac{3}{16}x^2 + \frac{6}{16}x^3y - \frac{6}{16}xy - \frac{3}{16}x^2y^2 + \frac{3}{16}y^2 = \frac{3}{16}(1-x^2)(x-y)^2 \geq 0,$$

Therefore, by Cohn's Rule,  $f$  has all its 3 zeros in  $\overline{\mathbb{D}}$ , that is  $A, B, C \in \overline{\mathbb{D}}$  and so  $|\tilde{\omega}(z)| < 1$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ .

Next, consider the case in which  $\omega(z) = e^{i\theta}z^2$ . In this case,

$$\tilde{\omega}(z) = -z^2 e^{i\theta} \left\{ \frac{e^{i\theta}z^3 - \left( \frac{1 + \cos \alpha z}{\cos \alpha + z} \right)}{-\left( \frac{1 + \cos \alpha z}{\cos \alpha + z} \right) + e^{i\theta}z^3} \right\} = -z^2 e^{i\theta}.$$

Hence,  $|\tilde{\omega}(z)| < 1$ . □

In proving the last theorem, we will use the following corollary of the Schur-Cohn Algorithm.

*Corollary to the Schur-Cohn Algorithm.* (see [8], p 383) Given a polynomial

$$f(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + \cdots + a_n z^n$$

of degree  $n$ , let

$$M_\nu = \det \begin{pmatrix} B_\nu^* & A_\nu \\ A_\nu^* & B_\nu \end{pmatrix} \quad (\nu = 1, \dots, n),$$

where  $A^* = \overline{A}^\top$  is the conjugate transpose of  $A$ , and  $A_\nu$  and  $B_\nu$  are the triangular matrices

$$A_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & a_1 & \cdots & a_{\nu-1} \\ & a_0 & \cdots & a_{\nu-2} \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & a_0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad B_\nu = \begin{pmatrix} \overline{a}_n & \overline{a}_{n-1} & \cdots & \overline{a}_{n-\nu+1} \\ & \overline{a}_n & \cdots & \overline{a}_{n-\nu+2} \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & \overline{a}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

The  $f$  has all of its zeros inside the unit circle if and only if the determinants  $M_1, \dots, M_n$  are all positive.

**Theorem 6.** Let  $f = h + \overline{g} \in K_H^O$  with  $h(z) + g(z) = \frac{1}{2i \sin \alpha} \log \left( \frac{1+ze^{i\alpha}}{1+ze^{-i\alpha}} \right)$ , where  $\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \alpha < \pi$  and  $\omega(z) = \frac{z+a}{1+az}$  with  $a \in [0, 1)$ . Then  $f_0 * f \in S_H^O$  and is convex in the direction of the real axis.

*Proof.* Using eq. (7) with  $\omega = \frac{z+a}{1+az}$  and simplifying, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\omega}(z) &= z \frac{\left\{ z^3 + \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}a + \cos \alpha \right) z^2 + (a + 2a \cos \alpha)z + (a \cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2}) \right\}}{\left\{ 1 + \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}a + \cos \alpha \right) z + (a + 2a \cos \alpha)z^2 + (a \cos \alpha + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2})z^3 \right\}} \\ &= -z \frac{f(z)}{f^*(z)} \\ &= -z \frac{(z+A)(z+B)(z+C)}{(1+Az)(1+Bz)(1+Cz)}. \end{aligned}$$

By the Corollary to the Schur-Cohn Algorithm, we need to show that the determinants  $M_1, M_2, M_3$  are all positive (for convenience, let  $\cos \alpha = x$ ; so  $-1 < x \leq 0$  and  $-1 < a < 1$ ):

$$M_1 = \det \begin{pmatrix} a_3 & a_0 \\ \bar{a}_0 & \bar{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} \\ ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4}(2ax + a + 1)(3 - 2ax - a) > 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_2 &= \det \begin{pmatrix} a_3 & 0 & a_0 & a_1 \\ a_2 & a_3 & 0 & a_0 \\ \bar{a}_0 & 0 & \bar{a}_3 & \bar{a}_2 \\ \bar{a}_1 & \bar{a}_0 & 0 & \bar{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} & a + 2ax \\ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}a + x & 1 & 0 & ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} \\ ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}a + x \\ a + 2ax & ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(1-x)(1-a)(1-2ax-a)(2+4ax+4a+x-2a^2x^2-5a^2x-2a^2-2ax^2) > 0, \end{aligned}$$

if  $P(a, x) = 2 + 4ax + 4a + x - 2a^2x^2 - 5a^2x - 2a^2 - 2ax^2 > 0$ . We will show that  $P(x, a) > 0$  for  $0 \leq a < 1$  and  $-1 < x \leq 0$  (although it seems to be true for  $-\frac{1}{3} < a < 1$ ). Now

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} P(a, x) = 4a + 1 - 4a^2x - 5a^2 - 4ax = [4a(1-x) - 4a^2(1+x)] + [1 - a^2] > 0,$$

since  $0 < a < 1$  and  $-1 < x \leq 0$ . Assume  $a = a_0 > 0$  is fixed. Then,  $P(a_0, x)$  is increasing and attains its minimum at  $x = -1$ . Thus,

$$P(a_0, x) > P(a_0, -1) = (a_0 - 1)^2 > 0.$$

Note,  $P(0, x) = 2 + x > 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} M_3 &= \det \begin{pmatrix} a_3 & 0 & 0 & a_0 & a_1 & a_2 \\ a_2 & a_3 & 0 & 0 & a_0 & a_1 \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & 0 & 0 & a_0 \\ \bar{a}_0 & 0 & 0 & \bar{a}_3 & \bar{a}_2 & \bar{a}_1 \\ \bar{a}_1 & \bar{a}_0 & 0 & 0 & \bar{a}_3 & \bar{a}_2 \\ \bar{a}_2 & \bar{a}_1 & \bar{a}_0 & 0 & 0 & \bar{a}_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} & a + 2ax & \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}a + x \\ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}a + x & 1 & 0 & 0 & ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} & a + 2ax \\ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}a + x & a + 2ax & 1 & 0 & 0 & ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} \\ ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}a + x & a + 2ax \\ a + 2ax & ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}a + x \\ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2}a + x & a + 2ax & ax + \frac{1}{2}a - \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(x+1)(1-x)^3(1-a)^3(1-2ax-a)^2(1+3a) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $A, B, C \in \mathbb{D}$  and  $|\tilde{\omega}(z)| < 1$  for all  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ .  $\square$

*Remark 2.* Unlike Theorem 4, this result does not hold for  $-1 < a < -\frac{1}{3}$  since  $M_3 < 0$  for these values of  $a$ .

*Example 3.* Let  $f_3 = h_3 + \overline{g_3}$ , where  $h_3 + g_3 = \frac{1}{2i} \log \left( \frac{1+iz}{1-iz} \right)$  (that is,  $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{2}$  in Theorem 5) with  $\omega = -z^2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} h_3 &= \frac{1}{4} \log \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) - \frac{i}{4} \log \left( \frac{1+iz}{1-iz} \right) \\ g_3 &= -\frac{1}{4} \log \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) - \frac{i}{4} \log \left( \frac{1+iz}{1-iz} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Consider  $F_3 = f_0 * f_3 = H_3 + \overline{G_3}$ . From eq. (2) we derive

$$\begin{aligned} H_3 &= h_0 * h_3 = \frac{1}{2} [h_3(z) + zh_3'(z)] = \frac{1}{8} \log \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) - \frac{i}{8} \log \left( \frac{1+iz}{1-iz} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{1-z^4} \\ G_3 &= g_0 * g_3 = \frac{1}{2} [g_3(z) - zg_3'(z)] = -\frac{1}{8} \log \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) - \frac{i}{8} \log \left( \frac{1+iz}{1-iz} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z^3}{1-z^4}. \end{aligned}$$

From eq. (7),  $\tilde{\omega}(z) = z^2$ .

We now show that the image of the first quadrant of  $\mathbb{D}$  under the mapping  $F_3$  is the domain whose boundary consists of the positive real axis, upper imaginary axis and the lines  $\{\frac{\pi}{8} + iy, y \geq \frac{\pi}{8}\}$ ,  $\{x + \frac{\pi}{8}i, x \geq \frac{\pi}{8}\}$ . We have

$$F_3(z) = \operatorname{Re} \left( -\frac{i}{4} \log \left( \frac{1+iz}{1-iz} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{1-z^2} \right) + i \operatorname{Im} \left( \frac{1}{4} \log \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{z}{1+z^2} \right).$$

As in the previous two examples, we use the transformation  $\zeta = \frac{1+z}{1-z} = \xi + i\eta$ ,  $\xi > 0$ . This transformation maps the part of the disk in the first quadrant onto the exterior of the unit disk contained in the first quadrant, and we note that the interval  $[0, i]$  is mapped onto the quarter of the unit circle. If we put  $\zeta = r^{i\theta}$ ,  $r \geq 1$ ,  $\theta \in [0, \pi/2)$ , then we get

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} F_3(z) &= \frac{1}{4} \left( \arctan \frac{r - \frac{1}{r}}{2 \cos \theta} + \frac{1}{2} \left( r - \frac{1}{r} \right) \cos \theta \right) \\ \operatorname{Im} F_3(z) &= \frac{1}{4} \left( \theta + \frac{2 \sin 2\theta}{\left( r - \frac{1}{r} \right)^2 + 4 \cos^2 \theta} \right). \end{aligned}$$

One can see that the image of the quarter of the unit circle in the first quadrant in the  $\zeta$ -plane under  $F_3$  is the upper imaginary axis and the image of the line  $\xi > 1$  is the positive real axis. Now we consider the level curves

$$\theta + \frac{2 \sin 2\theta}{\left( r - \frac{1}{r} \right)^2 + 4 \cos^2 \theta} = c, \quad c > 0.$$

Since  $r > 1$  and  $\theta \in (0, \pi/2)$ , get we get from the above

$$(8) \quad r - \frac{1}{r} = 2 \cos \theta \sqrt{\frac{\tan \theta}{c - \theta} - 1}.$$

Let  $\theta_c \in (0, \pi/2)$  be the number satisfying the equation  $\tan \theta_c = c - \theta_c$ . If  $0 < c < \pi/2$ , we assume that  $\theta_c < \theta < c$ , while if  $c \geq \pi/2$ , we assume that  $\theta_c < \theta < \pi/2$ . Using eq. (8) we find that on the level curve we have

$$\operatorname{Re} F_3 = \frac{1}{4} \left( \arctan \sqrt{\frac{\tan \theta}{c - \theta} - 1} + \cos^2 \theta \sqrt{\frac{\tan \theta}{c - \theta} - 1} \right)$$

Using an analysis similar to the one in the previous examples, we get the result.

The images of concentric circles inside  $\mathbb{D}$  under the convolution map  $f_0 * f_3 = F_3$  are shown in Figure 3.

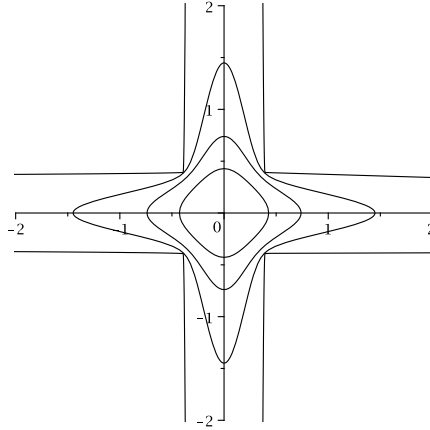


FIGURE 3. Image of concentric circles inside  $\mathbb{D}$  under the convolution map  $f_0 * f_3 = F_3$ .

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